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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LETTER DATED FEB 3 WHICH
INDUSTRY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN COESSENS HAS ASKED MISSION
TO TRANSMIT TO COMMERCE DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY
SHERWIN. LETTER CONSTITUTES AGENDA FOR ENLARGED
BUREAU MEETING.

BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. SHERWIN,
I AM WRITING TO YOU CONCERNING THE SECOND MEETING OF
THE ENLARGED BUREAU OF OUR COMMITTEE WHICH OPENS IN
PARIS AT 3 P.M. ON THE 17TH FEBRUARY AND CONTINUES ON
THE FOLLOWING DAY. THIS MEETING, AS YOU KNOW, IS TO BE
PRECEDED ON THE 16TH BY A MEETING OF THE JOINT CSTP/
INDUSTRY COMMITTEE WORKING PARTY ON TECHNOLOGY AND THE
STRUCTURAL ADAPTATION OF INDUSTRY.

I FEEL THAT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF IMPORTANT MATTERS
WHICH NEED TO BE DISCUSSED IN THE ENLARGED BUREAU IN
ORDER TO FACILITATE THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE AT ITS
29TH SESSION. THE FOLLOWING LIST IS NOT INTENDED TO BE
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RESTRICTIVE; BUREAU MEMBERS MAY HAVE ADDITIONAL SUGGES-

TIONS.

1. TECHNOLOGY AND THE STRUCTURAL ADAPTATION OF INDUSTRY

I FEEL IT WOULD BE OPPORTUNE FOR THE ENLARGED BUREAU TO BE INFORMED OF THE RESULTS OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE JOINT WORKING PARTY. MR. SHERWIN, THE CO-CHAIRMAN, WILL BE ABLE TO INFORM US OF THESE.

2. PROGRAM OF SECTOR STATISTICS

FOLLOWING THE DISCUSSION AT THE LAST SESSION IN WHICH DELEGATIONS STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE ATTACHED TO THE SECTORAL STATISTICS, IT WAS AGREED THAT THE COMMITTEE WOULD DISCUSS AT THE 29TH SESSION THE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO BE TAKEN IN THE LIGHT OF THE RESULTS OF THE COUNCIL DELIBERATIONS WITH REGARD TO THE FUTURE PROGRAM OF SECTOR STATISTICS. I HAD OCCASION TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER PERSONALLY WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AND WITH THE DEPUTY SECRETARY-GENERAL, MR. ELDIN, IN NOVEMBER AND SUBSEQUENTLY HAD AN EXCHANGE OF CORRESPONDENCE WITH THEM.

3. THE ROLE OF THE COMMITTEE WITH REGARD TO THE WORK OF THE HIGH LEVEL GROUPS

YOU WILL RECALL THAT AT ITS LAST SESSION, OUR COMMITTEE AGREED TO CONSIDER AT ITS 29TH SESSION THE POSSIBILITY OF SETTING UP AN AD HOC GROUP TO DEAL WITH CERTAIN ASPECTS ON WHICH IT HAS RELEVANT EXPERTISE OF

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THE WORK OF THE AD HOC HIGH LEVEL GROUP ON ECONOMIC RELATIONS BETWEEN MEMBER COUNTRIES AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND, IN PARTICULAR OF ITS SUB-GROUP ON INDUSTRIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL CO-OPERATION. I HAVE ASKED OUR SECRETARIAT TO BE PREPARED TO BRING US UP TO DATE ON THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS.

THE SECRETARIAT WILL ALSO INFORM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WORK BEING DONE BY THE HIGH LEVEL GROUP ON COMMODITIES AND THE CONTRIBUTION OUR SECRETARIAT HAS ALREADY MADE TO THIS WORK. THE ENLARGED BUREAU MAY WISH TO CONSIDER WHETHER MORE SHOULD BE DONE IN THIS AREA.

4. FIRST DISCUSSION OF THE 1977 PROGRAM OF WORK

AT ITS LAST SESSION THE COMMITTEE EXPRESSED THE WISH TO MAKE ITS CONTRIBUTION TO THE PREPARATION OF THE 1977 PROGRAM IN DUE TIME AND TO HOLD A FIRST DISCUSSION ON THIS AT THE 29TH SESSION. I FEEL THAT THE ENLARGED BUREAU COULD USEFULLY PREPARE A FRAMEWORK FOR THIS DISCUSSION.

5. WORK OF OTHER PARTS OF THE ORGANIZATION

I HAVE ASKED OUR SECRETARIAT TO BE PREPARED TO BRING US UP TO DATE ON THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN THE ORGANIZATION

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NIZATION ON MATTERS OF RELEVANCE TO THE COMMITTEE NOT ALREADY COVERED UNDER THE ABOVE HEADINGS.

I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ON THE 17TH FEBRUARY.

PLEASE ACCEPT THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION. S/ A. COESSENS.
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